

A Kid's Place is currently recruiting for Youth Counselors, both full-time and part-time. This position is responsible for the direct day-to-day care of children placed at A Kid's Place.

Youth Counselor's report to the Residential Supervisor. This is an hourly, non-exempt position.

Must be available to work at least one weekend per week. Pay rate ranges from \$15-\$16 per hour, based on education and experience.

## **Duties/Responsibilities:**

- Provide direct supervision of children at A Kid's Place per staffing ratios determined by the Department of Children and Families.
- Constantly monitor the safety, security, and well-being of the children, and actively intervene to avoid any safety hazards to the children.
- Maintain a positive, caring, respectful demeanor towards the children at all times.
- Work in a spirit of teamwork and collaboration with other Direct Care staff in the Houses to ensure a sense of stability and continuity for the children.
- Maintain a good attendance record, and arrive and depart in a punctual manner at the employee's scheduled shift.
- Maintain the absolute confidentiality of all children at the facility, which includes not discussing any information regarding the children to non-employees.
- Provide teaching, education and support to children in placement to ensure stability and opportunities for growth.
- Assist with and teach skills as necessary to complete activities of daily living.
- Provide behavior management and interventions for children who may require it and who may display behavioral issues.
- Must be available to work weekend shifts to meet program needs.
- Cover for shifts in houses as needed.
- Participate in all necessary training for position in order to best serve the children in care, including First Aid, CPR, and safety training.
- Attendance at internal staff meetings.
- Other functions as needed or assigned.

## **Qualifications:**

- High school diploma or equivalent required.
- Bachelor's degree preferred.
- At least one year's related experience preferred.
- Ability to pass a criminal background and drug screening.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with individuals and children from a variety of cultural and ethnic backgrounds.
- Ability to handle sensitive and confidential information with discretion.
- The ability to work and comply with all EEOC rules collaboratively, respectfully and to accepting constructive criticism from management with dignity and respect.

- Ability to function well in a high-paced and at times stressful environment.
- Ability to communicate in clear, effective manner both written and verbally.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships.
- Must demonstrate awareness and acceptance of cultural differences of children, staff and community contact.
- Strong problem-solving skills.
- Ability to prioritize tasks and to delegate them when appropriate.
- Proficient with Microsoft Outlook

## **Benefits:**

- 20 days Paid Time Off
- Holiday premium pay (Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's)
- 401K
- Health, Dental and Vision insurance
- FSA and HSA

Please submit your resume to Erin Booker, HR Director at <a href="mailto:ebooker@akidsplacetb.org">ebooker@akidsplacetb.org</a>

A Kid's Place is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Drug & Tobacco Free Facility. All personnel are required to undergo mandatory post-employment offer criminal background checks.